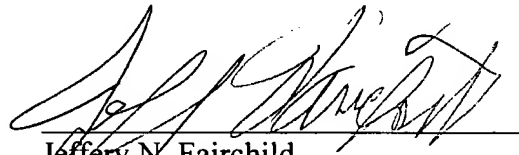


REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-14 and 18 are allowed. Claim 19 has been canceled to place the application in condition for allowance, which is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted.

  
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